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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET-AT-A-GLANCE



Trade sentiment was mixed, but mostly steady. Retail demand was light to fair with hopes for improvements as first of the month approaches. Food service demand covered the full range, best into fast food outlets, shopping locations, and holiday events. Supplies of all sizes were usually sufficient to handle trade needs. Floor stocks were close to fully adequate. In the parts structure, movement was light to fair for midweek trading. Wings were adequate to close balanced and moving well. Dark meat cuts were adequate with boneless cuts in the closest balance. Bone-in breasts were slow to clear, boneless skinless breasts were sufficient to instances less available, and all other breast items were readily available. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at desirable to heavy, mostly desirable weights.

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES The Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for next week's trading declined .25 cents to 77.25 cents based on full truck load lots of ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds. This compares to 69.00 cents last year on November 29, 2006.

Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted prices on ice-packed parts for next week's trading:

DOCK PRICE (CENTS PER POUND)

ITEM	
LINE RUN TENDERS	163.00
BREASTS - B/S	133.00
BREASTS - WHOLE	77.00
THIGH MEAT - B/S	116.00
LEG QUARTERS	42.00
WINGS	110.00

This information is supplied by the Georgia Department of Agriculture's Poultry Market News Service.

SOUTHERN REGION Trade sentiment was mostly steady. Retail demand was light to fair with hopes that first of the month features will stimulate interest. Food service demand was light to instances moderate, best into fast food channels. Supplies of all sizes were more than sufficient to satisfy trade needs. In the parts structure, movement was overall moderate at best. Wings were adequate to closer balanced and moving satisfactorily. Dark meat was in balance to available with boneless cuts in the best positions. Breast items were at least adequate with light interest. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at desirable to heavy weights.

NORTHEAST REGION Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was light to moderate for midweek business. Offerings of all sizes were fully sufficient for current needs. Retail and distributive movement was seasonally slow. Fast food interest was moderate. The market tone was mostly steady. In the parts complex, bone-in breast were adequate to readily available and slow to clear. Wings and dark meat were clearing satisfactorily. Other parts were generally sufficient for current needs.

MIDWEST REGION Whole broiler/fryer market tone was steady. Offerings were light to moderate and more available over prior trade period. Retail demand remained lackluster, light to occasionally fair. Food service movement was mixed, light to good; best call noted on 8-piece cut-up and breast cuts into restaurants with fast food promotions fairly active as well. Floor stocks were close to fully adequate; weights desirable to trending heavy. Supplies of wings were limited, dark boneless meat and small boneless/skinless breast adequate to limited; balance of items were available. The market tone was steady to barely steady on bone-in breasts, tenders and drums; wings and boneless dark meat steady to firm; other items were steady.

WESTERN REGION Trade sentiment, although mixed, was steady overall. Offerings were in fair balance on whole body product less than 3.5 pounds and at least adequate on heavier weights. Buying activity was fair but cautious. Retailer demand was moderate to good, with best interest where promotions in progress. Floor stocks were adequate for current needs.

Broiler-Type Eggs Set In 19 Selected States

Up 4 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 219 million eggs in incubators during the week ending November 24, 2007. This was up 4 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

Broiler Chicks Placed Up 4 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 169 million chicks for meat production during the week ending November 24, 2007. Placements were up 4 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2006 through November 24, 2007 were 8.25 billion, up 2 percent from the same period a year earlier.

BROILER-TYPE EGGS SET AND BROILER CHICKS PLACED TOTAL 19 SELECTED STATES

			PERCENT CHANGE
WEEK ENDING 11/24/07	2007	2006	PREVIOUS YEAR
EGGS SET	219,032	211,184	+04
CHICKS PLACED	168,828	162,192	+04

Source: NASS, USDA

WEEKLY FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING Based on the preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for marketing during the week ending 05-Jan-08 is estimated at 154.0 million head. This compares to 153.5 million head the previous week and to 150.0 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 135.9 million head and the composite weighted average price was 68.06 cents per pound.

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SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS

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F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED-PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

POUNDS					POUNDS				
ITEM	(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	ITEM	(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	589	105.00-189.00	-	124.05	BREAST - B/S	644	105.00-182.00	-	122.30
TENDERLOINS	211	83.00-165.00	-	99.18	TENDERLOINS	156	90.00-175.00	-	104.69
BREAST - LINE RUN	118	68.00-100.00	-	70.37	BREAST - LINE RUN	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT				FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEGS	208	52.00-60.00	53-54	53.46	LEGS	193	52.00-60.00	53-55	53.99
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	432	34.00-42.00	-	37.79	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	402	36.00-42.00	-	38.17
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	900	37.00-45.00	-	39.53	LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	918	38.00-45.00	-	39.58
WINGS (WHOLE)	275	100.00-115.00	-	105.89	WINGS (WHOLE)	295	95.00-115.00	-	105.08
WINGS (CUT)	100	115.00-124.00	-	120.85	WINGS (CUT)	105	115.00-125.00	-	121.67
DRUMSTICKS	TOO FEW TO REPORT				DRUMSTICKS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT				THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
B/S THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT				B/S THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			

WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS TRADING FOR F.O.B. DOCK

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
43.50 - 50.0	46.65	43.00 - 49.00	45.09	46.57

The index is intended solely as an indicator of values for commodity-type product and does not represent industry's willingness to sell or ability to buy.

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS - Trucklot buying interest was light and unaggressive for midweek business. Offerings of bone-in breast remain readily available and slow to clear; boneless skinless breasts were at least adequate to fully adequate. Wings and dark meat items were clearing satisfactorily. Movement through retail and distributive channels was light to fair. The market tone was barely steady to weak on bone-in breast and generally steady on balance of items.

ICE PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, CENTS PER POUND.

NOV 27				NOV 28			
ITEM	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG	VOL/LBS	ITEM	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG	VOL/LBS
BREAST - B/S	125-130	124.20	524,860	BREAST - B/S	125-130	120.40	381,360
TENDERLOINS	105-110	105.02	153,040	TENDERLOINS	105-110	110.32	109,217
BREAST - WITH RIBS	67-68	75.71	101,640	BREAST - WITH RIBS	66-67	78.21	50,080
BREAST - LINE RUN	67	67.00	72,000	BREAST - LINE RUN	66	66.67	59,400
LEGS	59-60	58.80	151,240	LEGS	59-60	62.61	88,760
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	41-42	41.58	219,960	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	41-42	42.92	142,960
DRUMSTICKS	52-53	60.44	54,440	DRUMSTICKS	52-53	60.09	49,560
THIGHS	51-52	58.35	64,080	THIGHS	51-52	60.30	45,360
B/S THIGHS	113-114	114.51	119,800	B/S THIGHS	113-114	110.78	35,080
WINGS (WHOLE)	110-111	111.95	159,923	WINGS (WHOLE)	110-111	118.07	117,630
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	11.06	36,400	BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	10.90	30,080
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	35-40	39.25	8,520	LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	35-40	39.36	6,240
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	70-75	75.62	24,480	GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	70-75	74.69	20,240

INCLUDES NY CITY METRO. AREA, NORTHERN NJ, MA, CT, RI, & PA (NORTHEAST OF HARRISBURG). * TODAY'S NEG. SALES AS OF 11:30 A.M.

** WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE OF ALL GRADES AND BRANDS OF PRODUCT SHIPPED, OR TO BE SHIPPED AS OF 1:30 P.M.

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (IN THOUSANDS)

	ESTIMATED		ACTUAL		AVG WTS		ACTUAL		AVG WTS
	(1,000)		(1,000)				(1,000)		
	11/28	11/27	11/26	11/23	11/26	11/23	11/21	11/19	
Alabama	4,228	4,201	4,093	3,008	5.76	5.69	3,962	5.59	
Arkansas	5,028	5,052	4,815	4,319	5.60	5.39	5,164	5.51	
Delmarva	2,317	2,319	2,084	2,309	6.00	5.91	2,288	6.00	
KY-LA-TN	2,467	2,458	2,436	1,079	5.36	5.51	2,415	5.27	
Mississippi	3,163	3,925	3,158	2,331	5.78	5.61	2,907	5.71	
North Carolina	2,937	2,903	2,849	2,485	7.25	6.96	2,834	7.16	
Texas	2,501	2,495	2,568	2,132	5.53	5.27	2,429	5.48	
Total	22,641	23,353	22,003	17,663	5.87	5.77	21,999	5.79	
Mon-Wed	68,375(A)						66,677(A)		

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 28-Nov-07 is estimated to be 33,873,000 head up 2.61 percent from a week ago and up 3.28 percent from a year ago.

(Last week 33,012,000, last year 32,797,000)

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA)**PROCESSED POULTRY, DLVRD TO RETAILERS**

	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	94-100
ROASTERS 4# & UP	109-118
HENS UNDER 5#	
HENS OVER 5#	67-78

DUCKS
RABBITS-WHOLE
RABBITS-CUT UP

**SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY
DLVRD TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS**

	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	ICE PACK 126
	DRY PACK 110
ROASTERS 4# & UP	ICE PACK 140
	DRY PACK 108
HENS OVER 5#	ICE PACK 109
	DRY PACK 105
DUCKS	199-204

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 01-Dec-07

	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
	12/01/07 (1)	11/24/07
Class	----- Thousand head -----	
Broiler/fryer	170,383(2)	133,255
Light hens	1,087	631
Heavy hens	1,438	952
Total	172,908	134,838

(1)ESTIMATED

2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 01-Dec-07 is 161.8 million head compared to 166.4 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 170.7 million head or 8.9 million more than estimated available. For the week of 08-Dec-07 the estimated available is 162.1 million head.

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS-SELECTED STGE CENTERS
(INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

	PROCESSED TURKEY	PROCESSED POULTRY
	LBS	LBS
AM 11/26/07	35,762	88,100
AM 11/01/07	76,105	81,947
CHG	-40,343	6,153
PCT CHG	-53	8

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT (IN THOUSANDS)

	PROCESSED TURKEYS			PROCESSED POULTRY		
	11/26/07	11/19/07	11/27/06	11/26/07	11/19/07	11/27/06
PACIFIC						
COAST	2,930	3,718	1,191	9,811	10,713	9,468
LOS						
ANGELES	141	145	246	1,346	1,346	2,812

CENTRAL MISCELLANEOUS POULTRY RTC HENS

READY-TO-COOK PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR DELIVERY TO FIRST RECEIVERS,U.S.GRADE A AND PLANT GRADE, 5LBSAND UP, FOR WEEK OF NOVEMBER 26, 2007

		RANGE
HENS	ICE PACKED(12 PER BOX)	73-81
	VACUUM PACKED(6-9 PER BOX)	72-93

HACKETTSTOWN POULTRY SALES

AI PAPERS REQUIRED TO SELL ALL OUT OF STATE POULTRY

	FOR 11/27/07				FOR 11/27/07		
	LOW	HIGH	AVG		LOW	HIGH	AVG
HEAVY FOWL lb.	-	-	-	HEAVY FOWL ea.	-	-	-
LIGHT FOWL lb.	-	2.10	-	LIGHT FOWL ea.	-	-	-
MIXED FOWL lb.	-	-	-	MIXED FOWL ea.	-	-	-
BANTAMS lb.	-	-	-	BANTAMS ea.	-	-	-
BROILERS lb.	-	-	-	BROILERS ea.	-	-	-
ROASTERS lb.	-	-	-	ROASTERS ea.	-	-	-
FRYERS lb.	-	-	-	FRYERS ea.	-	-	-
CHICKS lb.	-	-	-	CHICKS ea.	-	-	-
PULLETS lb.	-	-	-	PULLETS ea.	-	-	-
BUNNIES lb.	-	-	-	BUNNIES ea.	-	3.25	-
ROOSTERS lb.	-	1.40	-	ROOSTERS ea.	-	-	-
GEESE lb.	-	-	-	GEESE ea.	-	-	-
TURKEYS lb.	-	-	-	TURKEYS ea.	-	-	-
DUCKS lb.	-	-	-	DUCKS ea.	-	-	-
RABBITS lb.	.40	2.00	1.63	RABBITS ea.	-	3.50	-
PIGEONS lb.	-	-	-	PIGEONS ea.	2.75	3.50	-
GUINEA FOWL lb.	-	-	-	GUINEA FOWL ea.	-	-	-
DUCKLINGS lb.	-	-	-	DUCKLINGS ea.	-	-	-
GUINEA KEETS ea.	-	-	-	CALL DUCKS ea.	-	-	-
SILKIES ea.	-	-	-	GOSLINGS ea.	-	-	-
GUINEA PIGS ea.	-	-	-	TURKEY POULTS ea.	-	-	-
CHUKARS ea.	-	-	-				
TOTAL COOPS	216						

MAJOR WHOLESALE MARKETS-MEXICO CITY

Cents per pound for the week ending November 23, 2007

	Whole Chickens	Breasts	Legs W/Thighs	Necks,Backs & Wings	Livers Gizzards	Hens
RAYON						
Low	57.96	144.90	95.22	12.42	4.14	65.41
High	65.41	157.32	103.50	16.56	8.28	65.41
Mostly	65.41	149.04	95.22	16.56	8.28	65.41
SAN JUAN						
Low	56.30	149.04	91.08	12.42	8.28	55.89
High	64.58	157.32	99.36	20.70	12.42	55.89
Mostly	64.58	153.18	91.08	16.56	8.28	55.89
NEW SAN JUAN						
Low	59.62	153.18	91.08	16.56	8.28	67.07
High	67.07	161.46	107.64	20.70	12.42	67.07
Mostly	64.17	157.32	95.22	16.56	8.28	67.07
BECERRA						
Low	62.93	157.32	99.36	16.56	8.28	62.10
High	68.31	169.74	111.78	24.84	12.42	62.10
Mostly	66.24	165.60	103.50	20.70	12.42	62.10

DELMARVA Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds continued light and unaggressive for mid-week business. Seller offerings were generally sufficient for trade needs. Live supplies were moderate; weights were mixed, but noted as mostly desirable. Processing schedules were moderate to moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices remained unchanged at 69 to 83 cents. Trade sentiment was mostly steady. In the parts complex, breast items were at least adequate to fully adequate. Dark meat cuts were fully adequate to available and wings continued to move satisfactorily.

BRANDED U.S. GRADE A

RANGE
WEIGHTED AVERAGE
NO. OF BOXES

67-85
(A)
(A)

(A) Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operations.

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